REQUEST Application Number 10/780,672 Confirmation Number 1994 **FOR** Filing Date February 19, 2004 CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) First Named Inventor Yoshihito KATO TRANSMITTAL Group Art Unit 2635 Shimizu Matsuichiro **Examiner Name** MAIL STOP RCE Matter Number Q79812 Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, LOCKING DEVICE, LOCKER, KEY AND provides for continued examination of an utility or Title LOCKING METHOD plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995 This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. 1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 a. Previously submitted Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 i. 🗹 March 24, 2006 and Supplemental Amendment previously filed on filed May 30, 2006 Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ii. 🗆 iii. 🗆 Other b. 🗹 Enclosed Amendment/Reply i. 🗆 Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) ii. 🗆 iii. 🗆 Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) Petition for Extension of Time iv. 🗹 v. Other 2. MISCELLANEOUS Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months b. Other 3. FEES The statutory fee of \$790.00 is being charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880 via EFS Payment Screen. The USPTO is also directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS Direct all correspondence to the address for SUGHRUE MION, PLLC filed under the Customer Number listed below: WASHINGTON OFFICE 23373 CUSTOMER NUMBER SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY Registration No. 25,426 Name Alan J. Kasper Date June 27, 2006 Signature ...